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In re Application of:

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action electronically sent March 13, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.